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Mr. Hedberg

Please find attached our annual report for the White River Shale Mine that you requested in your memo to us dated December 10, 1996. Your mine number for this facility is M/047/017.

Please be advised that the mine continues to be in a state of partial closure at this time. We were very near closure in December of 1995 an accident happened that stopped all work. The State of Utah was fully involved in the investigation and has all the information and reports. Since that time, all inlets or outlets to the mine have been secured and a new closure plan is being developed. We are hoping to complete closure of this mine 1996 but this work depends on budget.

If you have questions or require further information, please call me at (801) 781-4440.

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AFM, Support Services

Attachment: annual report (2 pages)